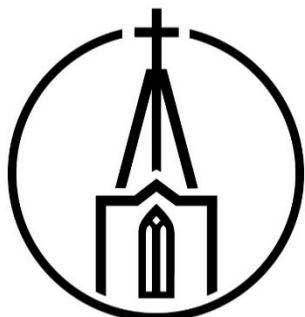
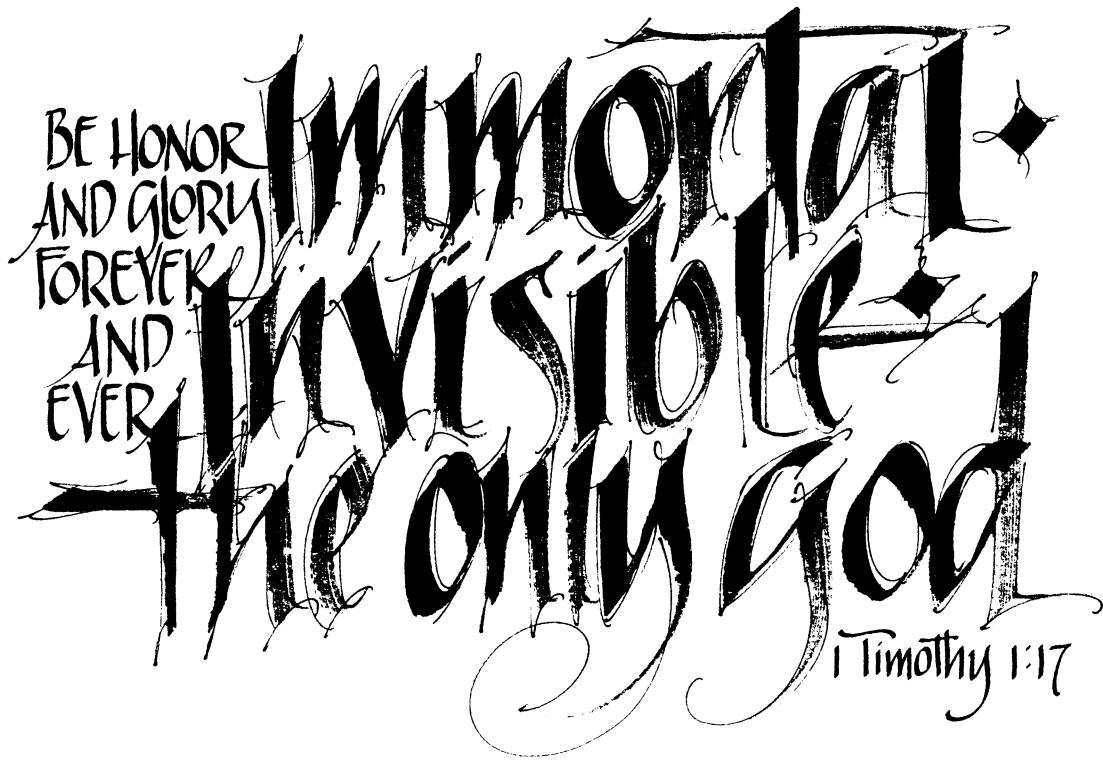


Saturday & Sunday, October 1 & 2, 2022
The 17th Sunday after Pentecost



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Times to Formally Gather around the Gospel:

Saturday:	6:30 PM Worship Service
Sunday:	9:00 AM Worship Service & 10:15 AM Bible Class
Monday:	6:30 PM Sisters In Faith fellowship & study
Wednesday:	10:00 AM Bible Class (in church basement)

*The Sunday service is broadcast live every week on KNEN, 94.7 FM,
and livestreamed via our website – stpls.com.*

These Sunday service video recordings are also archived on Youtube.

IT'S GREAT TO JOIN WITH YOU AS WE WORSHIP OUR LORD!

In our service we'll be doing three things: praising God for all His blessings through our words and songs, confessing our sins and being reminded of His forgiveness and grace, and then also using His Gospel to grow and be strengthened in faith.

We have a two-fold purpose here at St. Paul's, to strengthen faith of Christians who already belong to this congregation through Word and sacraments, and also to reach out with the Gospel of Jesus Christ to those around us who may not know what Jesus has accomplished for all mankind - forgiveness of their sins through faith!

Holy Communion will be celebrated in our service today for the blessings of forgiveness of sins and strengthening of faith, which we receive in Jesus' true body and blood miraculously joined to the bread and wine.

In order to preserve our spiritual unity (1 Corinthians 10:17) and protect against anyone's spiritual harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), our congregation and synod follow the historic Christian practice of **Close Communion**. Confirmed members of St. Paul's and those in fellowship with our Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod are invited to celebrate the Lord's Supper with us. Visitors are asked to speak with Pastor Hirsch before the service if you wish to commune. May the Lord bless our worship!

Based on “Service of Word & Sacrament” (CW p. 26)

Opening Hymn #280, vss 1-3 “Thy Strong Word” HOTW

The Order of Worship

P: *The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.*

C: **And also with you.**

CONFESSiON OF SINS

P: *God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask Him to forgive us.*

ALL: *Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed You in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve Your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.*

P: *God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.*

ALL: **We trust and take comfort in the peace of this forgiveness. Amen.**

KIDS' CHOIR ANTHEM (Sunday) K-4th Grades

“Feed My Lambs”

PRAYER AND PRAISE -- LORD, HAVE MERCY Kyrie

P: *For all that we need in life and for the wisdom to use all Your gifts with gratitude and joy, hear our prayer, O Lord.*

C: Lord, have mer - cy.

P: For the steadfast assurance that nothing can separate us from Your love and for the courage to stand firm against the assaults of Satan and every evil, hear our prayer, O Christ.



C: Christ, have mer - ey.

P: For the well-being of Your holy Church in all the world and for those who offer here their worship and praise, hear our prayer, O Lord.



C: Lord, have mer - ey.

P: Merciful God, maker and preserver of life, uphold us by Your power and keep us in Your tender care:



C: A - men.

P: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.



C: O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in



C: all the earth. Al - might - y God, mer - ci - ful Fa - ther,



C: you crown our life with your love. You take a - way our sin;



C: you com - fort our spir - it; you make us pure and

ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son,
 but gave him up for us all. O Lord, our Lord,
 how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

 O Son of God, e - ter - nal Word of the Fa - ther,
 you came to live with us; you made your Fa - ther known;
 you washed us from our sins in your own blood. You are the
 King of glo - ry; you are the Lord! O Lord, our Lord,
 how glo - rious is your name in all the earth.

The Prayer of the Day *Spoken by Pastor Schliewe.*

Almighty Lord, we pray that Your mercy and grace always be with us. May we always love You with undivided hearts, and then also be ready to serve and love and forgive those around us; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



The First Scripture

Exodus 32:7-14

This is the fifth of six times Moses went up Mt. Sinai to meet with God, and is part of the Golden Calf incident. Moses shows his spiritual concern for his fellow Israelites and appeals to God on their behalf.

⁷ Then the LORD said to Moses, “Go down, because your people, whom you brought up out of Egypt, have become corrupt. ⁸ They have been quick to turn away from what I commanded them and have made themselves an idol cast in the shape of a calf. They have bowed down to it and sacrificed to it and have said, ‘These are your gods, Israel, who brought you up out of Egypt.’”

⁹ “I have seen these people,” the LORD said to Moses, “and they are a stiff-necked people. ¹⁰ Now leave me alone so that my anger may burn against them and that I may destroy them. Then I will make you into a great nation.”

¹¹ But Moses sought the favor of the LORD his God. “LORD,” he said, “why should your anger burn against your people, whom you brought out of Egypt with great power and a mighty hand? ¹² Why should the Egyptians say, ‘It was with evil intent that he brought them out, to kill them in the mountains and to wipe them off the face of the earth?’ Turn from your fierce anger; relent and do not bring disaster on your people. ¹³ Remember your servants Abraham, Isaac and Israel, to whom you swore by your own self: ‘I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and I will give your descendants all this land I promised them, and it will be their inheritance forever.’” ¹⁴ Then the LORD relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

The Psalm

Psalm 62

Let's sing our Psalm together.

Refrain



The might-y Lord is with us; the God of Ja-cob is our for-tress.

Psalm tone



My soul finds rest in God alone;*
my salvation comes from him.

He alone is my rock and my salvation.*
he is my fortress, I will never be shaken.

Find rest, O my soul, in God alone;*
my hope comes from him.

REFRAIN

Though your riches increase,*
do not set your heart on them.

My salvation and my honor depend on God;*
he is my mighty rock, my refuge.

Trust in him at all times, O people;*
pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

REFRAIN

The Second Scripture Lesson 1 Timothy 1:12-17

Paul, the veteran missionary, writes to young missionary, Timothy. He lays the foundation of anyone's ministry no matter what age, the humility of one's sins but also the confidence and certainty of their forgiveness!

¹² I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, that he considered me trustworthy, appointing me to his service. ¹³ Even though I was once a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent man, I was shown mercy because I acted in ignorance and unbelief. ¹⁴ The grace of our Lord was poured out on me abundantly, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

¹⁵ Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the worst. ¹⁶ But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me, the worst of sinners, Christ Jesus might display his immense patience as an example for those who would believe in him and receive eternal life. ¹⁷ Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Hymn #304, vss 1-5 “Jesus Sinners Does Receive”

LOVE THE LOST

1. By joining Jesus in His Search
2. By joining Jesus in His Joy

¹ Now the tax collectors and sinners were all gathering around to hear Jesus. ² But the Pharisees and the teachers of the law muttered, “This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

³ Then Jesus told them this parable: ⁴ “Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn’t he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? ⁵ And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders ⁶ and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, ‘Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.’ ⁷ I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.

⁸ “Or suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. Doesn’t she light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it? ⁹ And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbors together and says, ‘Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin.’ ¹⁰ In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Our Thank-Offering

If you haven't already, please place your thank-offering in the plate located in the back of church. Scanning this QR code works too!



Luke 6:38 Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.”

Offering Prayer and Hymn Spoken together!

Lord Jesus Christ, You were rich as the almighty Son of God, yet for our sakes, You became poor, so that through Your humble incarnation and sacrifice we might become rich through the forgiveness of our sins. Accept this offering as one of the ways we say “thank-You” for all You have done for us. Amen.

#304, vss 6 & 7 “Jesus Sinners Does Receive”

6 Oh, how blest is it to know, Were as scarlet my transgression,
It shall be as white as snow By your blood and bitter passion,
For these words I do believe—Jesus sinners does receive.

7 Jesus sinners does receive. Even I have been forgiven.
And when I this earth must leave, I shall find an open heaven.
Dying, still to him I cleave—Jesus sinners does receive.

Prayers & Lord's Prayer

The Sacrament

P: *The Lord be with you.*



C: *And al - so with you.*

P: *Lift up your hearts.*



C: *We lift them up to the Lord.*



P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love He has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He sends the Holy Spirit to testify that we are His children and to strengthen us when we are weak. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ. To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.
The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.
You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.
I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -
va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.
The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

Words of Institution

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: A - men.

O Christ, Lamb of God

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.

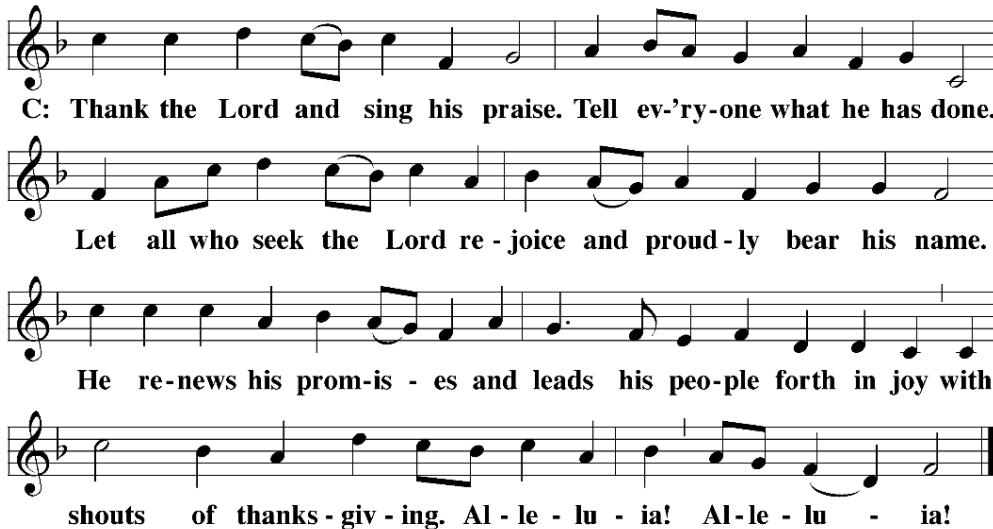
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; grant us your peace. A - men.

The Distribution

For the distribution, please follow the direction of the ushers to file forward single file. If you're sitting together as a family unit or couple in the pew, come forward in that single file, but feel free to join together as that same family unit or couple to receive the bread and then the wine together.

Response to the Sacrament

"Thank the Lord"



The musical notation consists of four staves of music in common time and G major. The lyrics are integrated into the music, appearing below each staff. The first staff begins with a quarter note followed by eighth notes. The second staff begins with a quarter note followed by eighth notes. The third staff begins with a quarter note followed by eighth notes. The fourth staff begins with a quarter note followed by eighth notes.

C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev'-ry-one what he has done.
Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and proud - ly bear his name.
He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with
shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Closing Prayer

Spoken together

Hear the prayer of Your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised You here may glorify You in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of Your Son may long for His coming again, and that all who have received in His true body and blood the pledge of Your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



The musical notation consists of two staves of music in common time and G major. The lyrics are integrated into the music, appearing below each staff. The first staff begins with a quarter note followed by eighth notes. The second staff begins with a quarter note followed by eighth notes.

C: A - men.



The Blessing

P: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



C: A - men. A - men. A - men.

A musical staff in C major is shown. It consists of five horizontal lines and four spaces. The first note is a quarter note on the second line, followed by a half note on the third line. The second measure starts with a quarter note on the fourth space, followed by a half note on the fifth line. The third measure starts with a quarter note on the fourth space, followed by a half note on the fifth line. The lyrics "A - men." are written below each measure.

Closing Hymn #388 "Redeemed, Restored, Forgiven"



Serving In the Lord's House Today

Worship Leader: Pastor Richard Schliewe

Organist: Mrs. Shannon Spreeman

Radio Broadcasters: Ron Kraemer & Walt Tinius **Video Tech:** Darol Dusseau

Elder: Dave Nelson

Ushers: Gary Johnson & Don Lau

Power Point: Jett Leuthold (Sat.), Anna Hockabout (Sun.)

SERVING NEXT WEEK

Elder: Gary Tiedgen

Ushers: Eric Nunnenkamp & Joe Myers

Power Point: Jett Leuthold (Sat.), Flor Koinzan (Sun.)

Worshipping the Lord

Last Week's Attendance: Sat. 6:30 PM – 44; Sun. 9:00 AM – 112; **Total = 156**
Sunday Bible Class – 22 Wednesday Bible Class – 11

St Paul's - General Fund, September 24 & 25, 2022

Yearly Need	YTD Need	YTD Offerings	YTD Need vs Offerings	Last Week Received	Weekly Need	Difference
\$422,052.00	\$95,129.30	\$83,293.75	-\$11,835.55	\$5,049.00	\$5,965.63	-\$916.63

Announcements

- 1) **Sunday, October 23 is going to be different!** Instead of having our worship service in the church, we're going to hold it in the school gym. The thinking is to highlight the improvements that have happened in the south hallway, as well as to keep in the forefronts of our minds our bigger school improvement picture. This Sunday we're also scheduled for a **CONGREGATIONAL/VOTERS' MEETING** to hear more information on school plans, and hopefully make some concrete decisions as to how we're moving forward with those plans. Any and all members are invited and encouraged to attend, but when the time comes for final decisions, we'll have the voters of the congregation take up that responsibility.
- 2) **DONNERSTAG** A new study/fellowship time is going to get started on **Thursday, October 13 – 6:30 PM at church**. This is morphing off of the group that was getting together Thursday eves to watch Hirsch's Israel-trip pictures, and the question was asked, "*Do you want to keep getting together on Thursday eves???*" We're going to start by reading a 97 page book together – "I Know That I Know." Here's part of the book blurb... *"Sometimes having faith doesn't feel like enough. Whether your faith in Jesus is new or you've been walking with him for decades, you may still lie awake at night wondering, "How do I know that I believe? What if my faith isn't strong enough to get me to heaven? What must I do to be saved?...In every chapter, you will examine a unique facet of the Christian faith and its relationship to topics such as conversion, reason, emotions, doubt, good works, and more."*

Fifteen of these books are on hand. Feel free to join in and be part of the planning stages as we figure out the continuing logistics and protocol.

- 3) Since our school has transitioned to individual computer tablets for the students, there is **extra computer equipment** (towers, flat screen monitors, keyboards) available free for the taking. It's in the church basement in the temporary school library space. Talk to Mr. Brown if you have questions.
- 4) **TRUNK or TREAT** It's been decided that we are going to take a break from hosting Trunk or Treat this year and put that effort into another event - possibly in the spring. This doesn't mean it will never happen again, just not this year! If you still want to support or contribute to a Trunk or Treat event this year, Immanuel in Hadar would love the help!
- 5) **JOINT AREA REFORMATION SERVICE** It's been mentioned several times how nice it would be to get back to doing this joint worship service thing again amongst the 5 area congregations, so **Wednesday, October 26 @ Trinity, Hoskins** is the plan set to do that. A meal will be served from 5:30-6:30 at the Hoskins Community Center, with the service starting at 7:00 PM. Pastor Zuberbier, the new guy at Shepherd of Peace, will be the preacher. More information will be coming as far as a joint adult/kids choir.
- 6) **NELHS** (203 Kendall St., Waco) has a busy day today, Sunday, October 2. Their **Fall Auction fund-raiser** begins at 1:00 PM in the north gym. Their **Fall Concert** starts at 4:00 PM in the south gym, and then there's an **Association Meeting** immediately following the concert (starting about 5:00 PM). Those going to the meeting are encouraged to grab some supper served by the north gym and then come back down to the south gym for the meeting.
- 7) **Thank you** to everyone who provided cookies for the American Red Cross's Community Blood Drives during the month of August. They were enjoyed by the donors, staff and volunteers.
- 8) **Ladies - please save the afternoon of Sunday December 11th on your calendar.** An area Advent by Candlelight will be held at 3:00 at the Courtyard of the Midtown Event Center. Start thinking of a friend or family member you can invite to join you for a time of reflecting on the real meaning of Christmas. Sign up sheets for attending, table decorating, and dessert making will be coming in November.

FUNCTIONS THIS WEEK:

Sunday, 10/2 = Worship Service with Communion, 9:00 AM

NO Bible Study this morning

NELHS Fall Auction, 1:00 PM

NELHS Fall Concert, 4:00 PM

NELHS Association Meeting, 5:00 PM

Monday, 10/3 = Sisters in Faith, 6:30 PM

Tuesday, 10/4 = Elders, Trustees, & Board of Christian Education Meetings, 6:00 PM

Wednesday, 10/5 = Worship Service Broadcast on Local Cable 12, 9:00 AM

Bible Class (Schliewe), 10:00 AM

NOON School Dismissal

Thursday, 10/6 = Ladies Aid, 1:30 PM

Saturday, 10/8 = Worship Service, 6:30 PM *Organist: Mrs. Diane Herbotsheimer*

Sunday, 10/9 = Worship Service, 9:00 AM

Coffee / Bible Study, 10:15 AM

Church Cleaning Teams:

Oct. 2 & Oct. 9 – Team 1 (Chad & Alicia Moyer, Kathy Janovec, Bill & Sue Ulrich)

Oct. 16 & Oct. 23 – Team 2 (Darol Dusseau, Mike & Linda Mullen, Sarah Nelson, Joel & Kathy Wiedeman)

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